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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Action of **August 22, 2006**. A petition for a 1-month extension of time is being filed herewith, under separate cover.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 12 of this paper.